



## **MINUTES OF THE LEE COUNTY FIRE ADVISORY BOARD**

**September 27, 2007**

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The Lee County Fire Advisory Board met on September 27, 2007 at Northwest Pocket Fire Department, 60 Pickard Road, Sanford, North Carolina.

The following members were present:

- Donald Andrews, Jr.
- Larry Kelly
- Doc Oldham
- John Altenburger
- Roger King
- Linda Shook
- Shane Seagroves, Ex officio member

The following member was excused:

- Royce Gaines

Chairman Donald Andrews called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

The minutes from the August 16<sup>th</sup> meeting were briefly summarized and a motion was made to accept the minutes as presented by Doc Oldham; seconded by John Altenburger. Motion carried unanimously.

Two handouts were passed out to each FAB member for review. The first of the two, consisted of information about the (2) proposed substations, and the other outlined details of the aerial platform truck being pursued by Northview Fire Department. Both handouts will be included as part of the agenda package to be presented to the Board of Commissioner's at their October 1<sup>st</sup> meeting for approval.

A letter received from Cameron Fire Department and addressed to the FAB, was copied and given out to each member. A discussion was begun about the contents of the letter in response to the proposed substation in Lemon Springs. In their letter, they asked to have a chance to prepare and submit a proposal to the Lee County Board of Commissioner's and to speak at the upcoming Commissioner's meeting. John Altenburger asked for feedback from members of Lemon Springs Fire Department, who were also present at the FAB meeting. In response, Chief Reid Cagle stated that he felt Lemon

Springs was “up for the challenge” of taking in the extra territory that is now serviced by Cameron Fire Department. After more group discussion and careful review of the letter, John Altenburger made a motion that the FAB move forward as before with a “mending fence attitude” towards the substation. Larry Kelly seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

The FAB reviewed the handout for an Aerial Platform requested by Northview Fire Dept. Northview feels they have found an aerial that best meets their needs at a significant savings. The \$600,000 price of the aerial is well under the original projection of \$850,000. Roger King stated that from Wyeth’s perception, it makes sense for Northview to purchase the truck and furthermore made a motion that the FAB approve the purchase of the Aerial Platform. Doc Oldham seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. The FAB will recommend to the Lee County Board of Commissioner’s the approval of the Aerial Platform purchase at their next meeting.

Under old business, the flat tax and funding mechanisms for Deep River and Northwest Pocket substations are the next issues to address by the FAB.

The next FAB meeting has been set for October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2007, at the City of Sanford Station #3, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Therefore with no further business to come before the FAB, a motion was made to adjourn by Doc Oldham, seconded by John Altenburger. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

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Donald Andrews, Jr., Chairman

ATTEST:

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Nancy Veroni, Secretary